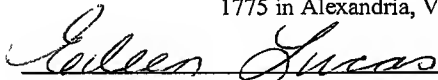


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This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2009. This amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination and the appropriate fee. Please enter the amendments and consider the remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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